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Ministers' Fate Depends on the

Decision of the Powers' Threat-

ened Advance on Peking.

THEY WERE ALIVE UP TO A LATE DATE.

The Allies Propose the Peaceful Sur-

render of the Woo Sung Forts

and Kianguan Arsenal.

Li Hung Chang Preparing a Procta-

mation . Assuring the "Boxers" of

a Pardon If They Disband and

Return Home.

Washington, July 31 .- The war de-

"Che-Foo, July 29 .- Adjutant Gen-

partment has received the following

eral, Washington: Left Nagasaki

daybreak on July 26. Arrived Taku

message from Mr. Fowler, consul at

Che-Foo, dated July 29, noon. Mr.

dated 21st instant received at Tien-

Tsin. German loss is ten dead and 12

on the 12th. Baron Von Ketteler's

body said to be safe. The Austrian,

Dutch and Spanish legations destroy-

ed, and the French partially. A let-

ter from the Japanese legation dated

22d arrived at Tien-Tsin on 25th. Ten

gations consecutively from the 20th

of June and stopped on the 17th of

July, but may renew. The enemy are

American, British and half the Japan-

ese and French legations still defend-

six days, but little ammunition. The

emperor and empress are reported at

London, July 31.-The latest news

from the far east seems consistent

with the theory that the Chinese gov-

ernment has the foreign ministers

alive, but means to treat them as

hostages, while the stories of mas-

sacre relate to other members of the

foreign colony at Peking, Chinese

officialdom, it is alleged, openly speaks

of the ministers as hostages, whose

The German, Russian,

battalions of Chinese shelled the le-

"A letter from the German legation

Fowler says:

decreasing.

at 10 night of July 28. "CHAFFEE, Major General."

cablegram from Maj. Gen. Chaffee:

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inte depends upon the decision of the

powers in relation to the threatened

advance on Peking. Reports are

multiplying that a number of foreign-

ers were alive to a late date. Thus

Rome reports that the propaganda

fide has been assured of the safety

of Bishop Favin, while a telegram

from Tankin informs his family that

Prince Castani, of the Italian lega-

tion, is alive. There is no confirma-

tion of the various favorable state-

ments, however, forthcoming from

really independent sources. A tele-

gram from Shanghai reports, on the

authority of a Briton who had been

for many days in the service of the

viceroy of Nanking, that prior to the

framing of the Yang Tse agreement

with the consuls the viceroys suggest-

ed Anglo-Chinese occupation of the

Yang Tse defenses and the British de-

It is reported at Shanghai that the

powers have again proposed, through

Li Hung Chang, the peaceful surren-

der of the Woo Sung forts and Kian-

guan arsenal, but that the Chinese re-

gard the proposal as a breach of the

Li Hung Chang is understood to be

Washington, July 31.-The view

which the Washington cabinet has

taken from the beginning, that with

the exception of Baron Von Ketteler,

the legationers at Peking were alive

long after the date which was said

ing slowly, but surely, confirmed. The

most important contribution in sup-

port of our government's position

since the receipt of the Conger auto-

graph letter, representing the foreign

ministers to have been alive on July

4, came Monday from United States

Consul Fowler, at Che-Foo. The let-

ter referred to the consul as coming

from the German legation at Peking,

is supposed here to have been an auto-

graphic letter, and as such, absolutely

removed from the possibility of fraud.

stood to have come down to the sen

without having passed through Chi-

results of the private messenger sys-

tem inaugurated by the commanders

of the allied forces. Taken in con-

junction the two reports submitted

by Mr. Fowler, added overwhelmingly

to the weight of testimony in favor of

Gen. Chaffee, whose arrival is re

ported by cable Monday morning from Che-Foo, certainly has made re-

markable time in going from Naga-

saki to Taku in two days, showing

that the transport Grant must have

general's horses are expected to ar-

rive there in about a week, when the

forward movement on Peking prob-

been pressed to her utmost.

The best way

existence of legationers.

ably will begin.

nese hands. It was one of the first

preparing a proclamation for distri-

existing agreement.

Washington, July 31.-The secre- they disband and return to their

wounded. Chinese ceased their attack to have marked their massacre, is be-

ed. Japanese say they have food for , The Japanese report is also under-

King Humbert Fell a Victim to Italy the Assassin's Bullet While in His Carriage.

Piraeus and Wednesday Will Take Cath of Office.

Body Will Be Taken to Rome to Rest in the Pantheon-The Murderer an Anarchist From Paterson, N. J.

Monza, Italy, July 31.-King Humbert was assassinated Sunday night as he was leaving the annual gymnastic exhibition, by Angelo Bressi, au marchist, who fired three shots at the king just as he was entering his carriage with his aide-de-camp. One of the shots entered the king's heart and he fell in his carriage, dying in a very few moments. The king's bodyguard immediately seized the assassin, who confessed the crime and declared he hoped the king was dead. Only the quick action of the guard and police kept the infuriated crowd, which a minute before was wildly cheering Humbert, from tearing the assassin to pieces. The greatest ex-



citement followed the shooting and thousands of people filled the streets of the town until sunrise.

The king met death like a soldier. Twice before attempts have been made to kill him, but he has escaped mainly through his own personal defense and courage. Sunday night when the first shot rang out, the king slightly turned his head, but the sec ond bullet cut him down and he fell fainting in the arms of his aide. The brave old king was too far gone to fight as he had done the other assas-

Immediately after the shooting a vast crowd gathered about the carbution as he travels toward Chi Li, riage, but was driven back by bution as he travels toward Chi Li, police. The king was carried to a assuring the "Boxers" of pardon if police. The king was carried to a residence near by and several physical properties of the police. cians called. A few minutes lated he king's death was formally an nounced, throwing the country and

the Italians of the world into sorrow. Bressi, the assassin was hurried to prison by a heavy escort of police and soldiers. Every effort is being made to protect the wretch. The prison is heavily guarded.

The crown prince is yachting and fast torpedo-boats have been dispatch to notify the future king of his father's death.

Monza, July 31 .- After the shooting of King Humbert here Sunday night,



THE PRINCE OF NAPLES.

as soon as his majesty's attendant could realize what had happened, he was placed in his carriage and driven as rapidly as possible to the palace He was, however, beyond human aid The assassin's name is variously given as Angelo and Gaetuo Bressi. He was home in Prato, November 10 1869, and is a weaver by trade. comes from America, where he had resided in Paterson, N. J. He says he had no accomplices, and that he mitted the crime because of his hatred of monarchical institutions. reached Monza July 27, from Milan, where he stayed a few days.

Rome, July 31.-The news of the assassination of King Humbert has just been received here. All the flags are at half most and the town is in mourning. A great crowd is about the government buildings. There was no sleep for loyal Italians Monday night.

Washington, July 31.-The Italian embassy here has received the official announcement of the death of King Humbert:

"We have the sad news to announce to you that his majesty, King Hum bert, just died last evening (Sunday) at Monza, being the victim of an in famous assassination. Kindly inform the American government of this sad news. His majesty, King Victor Em- came from there, that no such person the expenses. I acted on this." manuel III. who is off the coast of Greece, is on his way back to the VISCONTI VENOSTA."

ITALIANS MOURN. Wednesday, when he will take the oath in the presence of the united chambers. He is already King Em manuel III., there being no formal coronation on accasion of this sort in

As Victor Emmanuel III., who married in 1896, is childless, the heir to the throne is the king's cousin, the duke of Aosta. The duchess of Aosta was Princess Helen of Orleans, daughter of the late count of Paris, and she and the duke are generally considerede the handsomest royal couple in

A dispatch from Monza says the assassin Bressi is from Paterson, N.

Washington, July 31.-The follow ing message of condolence upon the death of King Humbert has been sent

from this country to Italy:
"Department of State, Washington, July 30.—His Majesty, Vittorio Emmanuel, Rome: In my name and on behalf of the American people, I offer your majesty and the Italian nation sincere condolences in this hour of deep ereavement.

"WILLIAM MCKINLEY." The following message has been sent to Baron Fava, the Italian am bassador to this country:

"Department of State, Washington July 30 .- His Excellency, Italian Ambassador, the Octagon, Seabright, N. J.: The tidings of the king's assassination has profoundly public sentiment. The president has telegraphed his majesty, Vittorio Emmanuel, offering in his name and on behalf of ences in this hour of deep bereavement. Permit me to add the assurances of my personal sympathy. "JOHN HAY."

Rome, July 31.-Orders have been telegraphed to all provincial official to take steps to assure order and prevent possible revolutionary move-

The king will be requested to sum mon parliament immediately upon his

MISPLACED LENIENCY.

It Has Increased the Circulation of Anarchistic Literature Advoenting Regicide.

London, July 31,-It is stated in official circles that the recent release of Sipido, the assallant of the prince of Wales, as he was passing through Belgium, has been followed by an enormous increase in the circulation of anarchist literature advocating regicide. It is thought exceedingly likely that the assassination of King Humbert is directly traceable to misplaced leniency. Diplomats and offi-cials generally visited the Italian embassy in great numbers Monday. Among the early callers was the prince of Wales, who expressed keen regret at the loss of a personal friend.

Sorrow for the Death of Humbert. Paris, July 31.-The announcement of the assassination of King Humbert has created profound sorrow in official circles here. All official events have been cancelled for the time being. M. Delcasse, the minister of foreign affairs, has abandoned a fete announced for Monday night. President Loubet, who intended to be present Monday afternoon at gymnastic exercises and later open the international press congress at the Sorbonne, has withdrawn from both occasions. The reception announced for Monday evening at the Elyssee in honor of the shah of Persia has been postponed.

THE COLOMBIAN REBELS.

Their Defeat Was Due to the Arrival of Gen. Serrano With 1,000 More Troops.

Kingston, Jam., July 31.-News by he steamer Trent Monday from Co-Serrano, with 1,000 troops from Savanilla. The rebels fought desper-Serrano's troops turned the day against them, they being caught between two fires. The majority of the rebels, it is reported, have left Panama to join the rebel forces at other points. A number of the best families at Panama are mourning the loss of relatives in their recent battle. The premium of gold remains at 160 per cent.

Serious Blow to Italy.

Chicago, July 31.-Prominent Italians of Chicago were shocked and grieved on receiving the news of the assassination of King Humbert. He was considered a wise and liberal ruler by the representative men in jection on the part of the prosecuthe local Italian colony. All regarded tae tragedy as a serious blow to Italy.

After the Shah of Persia, dans Paris, July 31, -- While the shah was visiting the a member of his suite, noticed nearby a rough-looking Persian, carrying, as responsible for any violation of the customary, poignards in his belt. On law. The statement is incompetent. account of his suspicious actions, this Continuing, the witness said he had individual was arrested.

His Own Life for Humbert's. New York, July 31.-Ten days ago an Italian in Paterson, N. J., Carbon to take forcible possession as soon Speranza, laid down his life and so as the contest board acted. "If that kill King Humbert, of Italy. He killed Gulseppe Pessina and then took his own life.

Not Enown in Paterson.

that King Humbert's assassin, Bressi, here armed, and promised to pay is known in that town.

Jose N. Reivero, president of the Rome, July 31.—The Prince of Na-ples is expected to arrive here on in New York city, aged 71 years. chamber of commerce of Panama, died

Attorney Brown Made a Motion for Peremptory Instructions for Verdict of Acquittal.

MOTION WAS PROMPTLY OVERRULED.

Accused, Including Ex-Gov. Bradley, Arrived Monday Morning.

Giving Line of Evidence for Defense-Powers on the Stand.

Georgetown, Ky., July 21.—The rial of Caleb Powers, charged with eing an accessory before the fact to the murder of William Goebel, was resumed at 9 o'clock Monday morning. The jury was polled, and then excluded, during which ex-Gov. Brown, for the defense, made a motion for peremptory instructions for a verdict of acquittal. The motion was submitted without argument and was promptly overruled by the court.

The defendant, looking pale, but not nervous, occupied his customary seat among the attorneys for the defense, the American people sincere condol- and seemed to direct, for the most part, the movements of his counsel. A large number of witnesses for the defense, including ex-Gov. Bradley, arrived Monday morning.

> dence for the defense. He reviewed the political events for the last nine months, and said the detense would show that the contests over the state offices were not tried on judicial lines, but on a partisan basis, and that polities was responsible for the present prosecutions. He intimated that the prosecution knows the identity of the

He said Powers had in his pocket. it the time of the killing the keys to his office, which the prosecution alleges had been given to Youtsey; that Powers never even conferred with Youtsey, Berry Howard, Jim Howard, Freen Golden of Dick Combs, and that Jim Howard was not on the capitol grounds till after the killing. would be proved, he claimed, that the witness, Weaver, one of the main witnesses for the prosecution, was never in Frankfort till Sunday; that Finey Anderson and Robert Noakes testified for money, and W. H. Culton, in the hope of obtaining immunity from prosecution, and that Wharton Golden would also be successfully contradicted.

the witness stand at the close of the statement for the defense. Witness never knew Jim Howard, Harland Whittaker or Richard Combs, three of the defendants prior to the assassination. Had only known Youtsey since January first.

In regard to the bringing of the mountaineers to Frankfort, the witness said: "There were three crowds of men brought to Frankfort, and I had something to do with the organlon, shows that the capitulation of the Colombian rebels at Panama was due entirely to the arrival of Gen. in the matters at issue at that time and not to intimidate either the state election board or the legislastely, and would have won, but that ture. I instructed the men to do no acts of violence, and so far as I know none was committed by them.

Witness continued: "The last erowd of men were brought for a double purpose. We expected to use them as witnesses before the contest board, and also to show by their presence the interest they felt in the contests. We also had heard rumors that we were to be forcibly ejected from the office.

The witness wanted to detail his reasons for arriving at the conclusion that he was in danger of being forci-bly ejected from office, and started out to give his construction of the Goebel election law. There was obtion, and another long debate be tween the lawyers followed. The court, in passing on the question, said the jury his construction of a statute. exposition Monday, If his construction of the law is right well and good. If it is wrong, he is received information that Mr. Hill. the contestant for secretary of state, would not wait till the contests were tempted, we intended to hold the offices. I also had a conference with Gov. Taylor, and be advised the bringing of a large body of men to show New York, July 31 .- The police of their interest in political affairs. He Paterson, say in reply to the report also advised that they be brought

> Cape Town, July 31.-Gen. Prinsloc with 5,000 men, has surrendered up-| conditionally to the British.

Large Number of Witnesses for the

awyer Faulkner Stated the Case,

Lawyer Faulkner, of Barboursville,

stated the case, giving the line of eviassassin, but has concealed him. He said it would be admitted that Caleb Powers and Chas. Finley organized and brought to Frankfort the crowd of mountain men, who arrived there January 25, but that this was only to petition the legislature and not to intimidate that body. He claimed it would be shown that the men who composed the mountain army were not bad characters, as charged by the other side, and he charged also that the democrats at that time had large bodies of men in Frankfort to back ip the contestants.

The defendant, Caleb Powers, took

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Pought Over Straw.

Gallipolis, O., July 31.-Frank Full on and John Flowers, two wellknown young men, fought over the division of some straw, Flowers re ceived a dangerous stab in the abdo men and Fulton was kicked by Flowers, breaking two ribs. The fight oc curred at a thrashing, and the men started at each other with pitchforks. but bystanders took these away, When they went at it again both were badly injured, but not necessarily fatal

Mammoth Human Sketeton Found. Chillieothe, O., July 31 .- A few days igo on the A. B. Albin farm, near Adelphi, a mammoth human sketston was found in a gravel bank under two feet of earth. The skeleton was carefully measured and showed that its original owner had been nearly ten feet tall. The clavicle was pe culiarly shaped and the skull of great thickness. Besides the skeleton was found a bone awl, an arrow and other implements of hone.

Leipsic, O., July 31.—The village of Belmore was visited by a fire which for a time threatened to wipe the town entirely out of existence. fire department here responded to a call for help, and after several hours of hard work succeeded in saving the village. Seven business rooms and a number of other buildings were consumed.

Buried Under Tons of Slate. Lorain, O., July 31,-A Hungarian laborer was buried affice at South Lorain. Slate taken from sewer trenches in dump ears is being used in a roadway, and one of them dumped the wrong way, and 20 tons of slate caught and completely buried the

man. It took 20 minutes to dig the

man out. He will survive.

Killed Near Home. Foledo, O., July 31.—Miss Delia Parson, of Holland, was instantly killed by an east-bound Lake Shore passenger train. The accident oc curred only a few rods from the woman's home. Deceased was 35 years and was the daughter of wealthy parents.

Ohlo Grape Crop Small. Cleveland, O., July 31.-Inquiry

among the grape growers of northern Ohio discloses the fact that the crop will be small this year. In many places the vines are affected by rot. Some growers say they will lose 50 the witness has no right to give to per cent, of the usual crop and others expect a reduction of 10 per cent.

A Rich "Pauper." Ironton, O., July 31 .- Louise Miller,

supposed to be a pauper, died at Pine irove. Six thousand dollars in cash was found hidden in her dress. The county auditor applied for an administrator, claiming there are no rel-Pantry Boy Crushed.

Ironton, O., July 31,-Clares Dils-

irg, aged 15, of Memphis Tenn., pan-

try boy on the towboat R. K. Wells.

had his head crushed off by the pit-

man of the engine while the boat was passing here.

Columbus, O., July 31.-John N. Brundige, aged 38, was instantly killed at the Seagrave factory, near this city. He was employed as an engineer, and apparently got too close to a huge driving wheel.

PRATHIER'S FRIENDS.

They Say That a Jury Can Not Be Secured That Will Convict Him of Murder.

Manchester, O., July 31 .- Friends of Mark Prather, who was captured at Lexington, Ky., and brought here on a charge of murder, claim that the Kentucky officials were mbiinformed as to the case. They say that Prather never had a crime charged against him, never killed a policeman or any other man before, and that there were mitigating and extenuating circumstances in connection with his killing of M. Irwin that would at least palliate, if not justify, his offense. They say Prather shot and killed Irwin for grossly insulting his wife and seeking to invade the sanctity of his They assert Irwin confessed on his deathbed that he was guilty of

the crime charged. Prather has nothing to fear from mob violence either at Manchester or West Union, where he is incarcerated. His relatives say a jury can not be secured in Adams county that will conviet him. Prather was reared from childhood by pious parents.

Named No State Ticket.

Columbus, O., July 31.-The effort of the middle-of-the-road populists to hold a state convention here was not a success, not over a dozen members putting in an appearance. Instead of a convention they had a conference and decided it would be inadvisable to nominate a state ticket. Members of the party will follow their own ideas in voting for state officers, although preference was expressed for the nominees of the union reform

London, July 31 .- In the house of commons Monday, the parliamentary secretary for the foreign officer, Mr. Wm. St. John Brodrick, read the dispatch from the British consul at Tien-Isin, saying that the foreign ministers at Peking were safe July 22.

Life Sentence Commuted. Columbus, O., July 31.-Gov. Nash commuted to 20 years the life sentence of George Burchell, a Williams county murderer. Burchell will pet

out in five years. Furnace Closed Down. Stenbinville, O., July 31.- The La-

belle-defferson furnace, which has been operated under a lease by the National Steel Co., has been closed down for an indefinite period. Feli drom a Cliff.

Ogfer, Utah, July 31.—George H. Beyghett, paying teller of the Ogden state bank, was killed in Pine canyon By falling off a cliff 500 feet high. His body was mangled beyond recognition,

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